***eed to be labeled with your child’s name are the back pack, scissors and pencil pouch.***Check with your child during the year to make sure they still have the supplies they need. We will put their extra supplies in a file marked with their name so that they may stock up as needed.

**Land mark**

The Acropolis of Athens can be seen as a symbol for the Ancient Greek World, the classical period of the Hellenic civilization

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**Major Cities**

The most important of all **Greece cities** is Athens, the capital of the country, which concentrates more than one third of the population. The second largest city is Thessaloniki on the North and the third is Patra on the south west.

**Population**: 11,295,002. Languages: Greek 99% Turkish, others. Albanian is spoken by approximately 700,000 Albanian immigrants. English is the predominant second language.

**Religions**: Greek Orthodox, with Muslim, Jewish, Catholic, Protestant.

1. Crayons (No more than 24)
2. 3 dozen pencils, sharpened
3. 5 glue sticks
4. Scissors *(labeled with name)*
5. 3 large erasers
6. 1 box of markers
7. 2 large boxes of tissue
8. Backpack *(labeled with name)*
9. 1 or 2 pencil pouches *(labeled with name, no boxes please)*
10. 1 box of ziplock bags
11. Four 2-pocket paper folders

(red, blue, yellow, purple)

1. 1 bottle of white glue
2. 1 pack of colored pencils
3. 1 Pee-Chee type folder

(not included on the list from the office)

**Communication**

Education is a partnership between home and school. We value parent involvement at every level and encourage you to partner with us. In order for this partnership to be effective, we need to be able to communicate

**What about Greece?**

Greece is located at the southeast end of **Europe** and it is the southernmost country of the Balkan Peninsula. Greece is also located between several countries and seas.

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Greece was inhabited as early as the Paleolithic period and by 3000 BC had become home, in the Cycladic Islands, to a culture whose art remains among the most evocative in world history.

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Greece adopted the euro as its currency in January 2002. The adoption of the euro provided Greece with access to competitive loan rates and also to low rates of the Eurobond market. This led to a dramatic increase in consumer spending, which gave a significant boost to economic growth.

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Greece is a parliamentary republic and last amended its constitution in May 2008. There are three branches of government.

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Please feel free to call, write a note, or e-mail us if you have concerns or questions about your child’s education. We are always available to schedule a conference to discuss any issue or concern you have regarding your child.

Translators are available at no cost through the Highline School District. If you speak a different language, you may request a translator. You may also send a note in your native language. We will have it translated and respond as soon as possible.

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**Getting Around**

Greece is an easy place to travel around thanks to a comprehensive public transport system. Buses are the mainstay of land transport, with a network that reaches out to the smallest villages. Trains, Boats, and water taxis are also available. To most visitors, though, traveling in Greece means island-hopping on the multitude of ferries that crisscross the Adriatic and the Aegean.



**Climate**

The climate is predominantly Mediterranean. Hot, dry summers alternate with cold, rainy winters.

**Major Cities**

***Capital***--Athens. Greater Athens, Greater Thessaloniki, Thessaloniki, Piraeus, Greater Piraeus, Patras, Iraklion, Larissa.

**Our Philosophy:**

We understand that your child comes to us with unique experiences, interests and learning styles. Our goal is to truly know your child well and use this knowledge to guide, support and motivate him or her. We believe that good teaching requires continual professional development, personal reflection and collaboration. We value parent involvement at every level and encourage you to partner with us to give your child the most powerful and joyous learning experience possible.

**Behavior Expectations:**

We have high expectations for the students in our room. We expect the students to achieve academically to their fullest potential. We expect students to contribute in a positive manner to our classroom. The following is a list of rules for room 131.

1. Show respect

**Food!**

Contemporary Greek cookery makes wide use of olive oil, vegetables and herbs, grains and bread, wine, fish, and various meats, including poultry, rabbit and pork. Also important are olives, cheese, aubergine, and yogurt. Greek desserts are characterized by the dominant use of nuts and honey.

* Dining out has gained in popularity, with an increase in the number and variety of restaurants one might go to.
* Coffee-houses have long functioned as daily gathering places for men.



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1. Make good decisions
2. Solve problems

We will be using the “color chart” system to help monitor these behaviors. You will receive information about your child’s behavior each week.

**Take Home Folders:**

The Pee-Chee folder listed on the supply list will be used as a take home folder. **Please check these folders nightly and return them each day.**  All important papers and finished work will be sent home in this folder each day.

**Homework:**

Your child will have homework each Monday. It will reflect the skills that we are covering. Homework is due on Friday. If the homework appears to be too difficult or too easy for your child, feel free to modify it. We do not punish children who don’t return their homework, but we often reward those who do. There will be a grade given on the report card for homework.

**Newsletter:**

**Activities**

If you enjoy sports, there is no better place to be than **the birthplace of the Olympic Games,** where the national football and basketball teams’ tradition of excellence continues to inspire pride among today’s Greek citizens. It’s not hard to find things to do in Greece with its wide variety of museums, **lively and diverse live music scene**, and vibrant night life.

Whether you prefer to relax on sandy beaches or trek up majestic mountains, Greece offers an **abundance of outdoor adventures** for every taste. Spend a day sailing between Greece’s many islands, spelunking in its vast caves, windsurfing off of the breathtaking coast**, hiking up** Mount Olympus, or unwinding with a long soak in one of Greece’s natural springs.

**Theatre**

For fans of the theatre, the annual Hellenic Festival **in Athens** is the perfect place to visit. Displaying classical Greek dramas and performances are very entertaining for the whole family. ****